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# Peyton's Peerless Peonies

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All prices quoted in the 1936 price list are still in effect except those listed below. In ordering use the "Collection Price" for all orders amounting to two dollars or more whether for one or more peonies of the same or different kinds.

Special attention is called to the reduction in price on NICK SHAYLOR to \$5. This is one of the World's finest peonies and does well everywhere. Isami Jishi (Isani Gidui) the finest white Jap is now \$2.50 and Shaylor's Sunburst, the most beautiful blush Jap is \$2. Nippon Beauty the highest rated red peony, a glorious dark red Jap, is \$6.

All prices quoted in the 1936 list on the "Fifty Finest" are withdrawn and the following are in effect until further notice:

## FIFTY OF THE FINEST

	Each		Each
A. B. Franklin	\$ 8.00	Madame Emile Debatene	\$ 3.50
Alesia	10.00	Majestic	3.00
Alice Harding	3.50	Maman Millet	5.00
A. G. Perry	5.00	Mandarin	5.00
Auten's Pride	20.00	Marietta Sisson	2.50
Blanche King	3.50	Mary Auten	20.00
Dance Caprice	3.50	Mary Ellen	5.00
Daniel Boone	6.00	Minerva	2.50
Denise	2.50	Miss Eckart	5.00
Dixie	3.00	Mrs. Frank Beach	2.50
Dr. J. H. Neeley	7.50	Mrs. Franklin D.	
Duluth	5.00	Roosevelt	10.00
Elise Renault	3.50	Mrs. J. V. Edlund	10.00
Elizabeth Huntington	2.50	Naomi	4.00
Ella Christiansen	2.00	Nick Shaylor	5.00
Elsa Sass	5.00	Odalisque	5.00
Eloise	20.00	Odile	5.00
Flamingo	2.00	Priscilla Alden	2.00
Flower Girl	15.00	Sanctuary	Withdrawn
Frankie Curtis	2.50	Silvia Saunders	3.00
Gloriana	2.50	Tempest	10.00
Hansina Brand	3.00	Uncle Remus	3.00
Hermione	1.50	Victory Chateau	
Janes Oleson	5.00	Thierry	3.00
Judge Snook	7.50	White Delight	10.00
Luxor	5.00	W. L. Gumm	10.00

## PEONY PATRICIANS

Within the past two years a number of the finest peonies ever produced have been put into commerce. The following are offered as being the cream of the lot:

AUTEN. Mr. Auten is now known as the originator of the finest red peonies in the world. The four listed below will be found among the best:

Blazing Star, brilliant red, semi-double . . . . . \$4.00

Dearborn, medium almost full double .....	2.00
Louis Joliet, dark red semi-double .....	2.00
Mendota, very large, brilliant, some purple, very fine .....	5.00

BRAND, long noted as the originator of fine peonies, his following originations are fully up to the highest standards of excellence. All are priced at ten dollars each:

John L. Crenshaw, very fine medium red almost full double.

Mrs. Bryce Fontaine, very dark red.

Robert E. Lee, purest white usually, with a faint line on some petals. Well fitted to bear its name.

FRANKLIN. Four more are added to the list of Mr. Franklin's fine ones:

Chief, very tall medium pink .....	\$5.00
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Diadem, a grand dark pink. Won the Silver Medal	
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of the A. P. S. .....	5.00
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Loren Franklin, another tall fine dark pink .....	5.00
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Minuet, a loose built medium pink of great beauty ..	5.00
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GUMM. Among the finest to be found today are Mr. Gumm's new ones: \$10.00 each.

Cornelia Stone, a grand blush.

Mrs. Fern Lough, very soft pink of exquisite hue, tall.

Mrs. W. L. Gumm, a light pink that many think is destined to be a champion among peonies.

For those who may wish to compare with Kelways' Glorious and have a very similar flower of the highest beauty, small two eye roots of Mrs. James Kelway may be had for ten dollars each. Only a few to offer.

NEELEY. Famed for their artistic beauty these originations of Dr. Neeley will not disappoint:

Garden Princess, tall and stately but graceful, a true Princess in silvery pink with some stamens showing .....	\$15.00
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Harry L. Burden, delicate light pink .....	10.00
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Mrs. J. H. Neeley, white suffused lake at the center, inimitable in coloring .....	15.00
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Matchless Beauty, medium height delicate pink guards with yellow petaloids in the collar .....	15.00
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Trail's End, fluffy pink, large .....	10.00
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Ward Welsh, late and often hard to open, but grand when it does, white suffused pink at the center ..	10.00
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NICHOLLS. OF hundreds of seedlings Col. Nicholls has seen fit to name but seven. Of these the most remarkable break in color in peonies in years is Mrs. Livingston Farrand, a glorious pure pink beside which all other pinks seem purple, rather tall, bending stems that hold the flower well off the ground. Flower is often very large, \$60.00 Won the American Home Achievement Medal and the Silver Medal of the A. P. S.

Here follow four whites of almost indescribable beauty, each bearing its individual tint of coloring making it distinct from all others. They are priced at fifteen dollars each.

A. B. C. Nicholls, large rose shaped with an inner orange glow. Has been shown twice in the Annual Shows of the American Peony Society and each time has been a contestant for the best bloom in the show.

George W. Peyton, probably the most beautifully tinted of the four. Almost an exact duplicate of Solange, long known as the most beautifully colored of peonies, white suffused yellow and "tea" color with a deeper pink glow in the center. Very full and high built hold-

ing a rose bud shape in the center until the end. Opens well and has strong stems and good foliage. Has not been exhibited at a show.

Harry F. Little, white with a delicate pink tone and some yellow in its center petals. Has glorious rose type flowers on stiff stems with excellent foliage. Has been shown in three Annual Shows of the American Peony Society. Has won the Gold Medal of the Society, the American Home Achievement Medal and the B. H. Farr Memorial Medal for the best flower in the Show. A wonderfully beautiful flower.

Thura Hires, white with a lemon glow in its center. Equally as large and beautiful as its companions above. It has never been shown at any exhibition. Its stems are of the best and its foliage is good. If you are looking for excellent form, exquisite tint, indescribable beauty, the above peonies will not be found wanting. They are all late and are only faintly fragrant. Col. Nicholls has also put out:

Spring Beauty, a bright rose pink very large,  
vigorous, early with strong stems ..... \$ 3.00  
Mrs. Wilder Bancroft, very fine dark red Jap,  
among the best ..... 10.00

SASS. The Interstate Nurseries have introduced a number of very beautiful seedlings of Mr. Hans P. Sass in the last two years. The following are offered as among the best:

Evening Star, large and perfect in form. White with a living glow. An occasional petal will have a faint red line. Won first for six best one variety at the 1937 Annual Show of the A. P. S. It is certainly one of the finest peonies in the world today. .... \$25.00  
Hans P. Sass, equally as fine as the first, this blush white flower will grace any garden that is fortunate enough to have it within its borders ..... \$10.00  
Queen of Hamburg, immense dark pink with no trace of coarseness. Considered one of the finest rich pinks in commerce ..... \$10.00  
Sensation. A mixture of all the good points of Therese, Tourangelle and Walter Faxon and you will easily find the Sensation of the Show. That is this peony. .... \$15.00

THURLOW. Many good peonies have come from Thurlow. No less beautiful are the two following:

Merrimac, the runner-up for the American Home Achievement Medal this year (1938) this tall, vigorous, rather violet pink flower will please all who like its color ..... \$10.00  
Rapture, a very soft creamy white flower, full double with high center that well deserves its name. .... \$25.00

LITTLE. Mr. Harry F. Little who is probably the most famous exhibitor of fine peonies in America has originated several very fine peonies himself. He has named the following:

Lula Little, a vigorous soft pink of very pleasing tone and habit.

Mrs. Harry F. Little, one of those inimitable whites with its center overlaid with delicate pink. As beautiful as any peony described here.

Onondaga, an American Home Achievement Medal peony, brilliant deep red, almost full double. One of the finest reds.

Westhill, the winner of the American Home Achievement Medal this year. A very large light pink, full double and of beautiful form. Opens well. One of the

most beautiful of the new light pinks.

The above peonies are very scarce and hard to obtain. They are among the finest flowers that can be found. It would be a distinction to any garden to have one. If interested, write for further details and prices.

**BRÉTHOUR.** Dr. F. G. Brethour of 60 Woodlawn West, Toronto, Canada, has originated many very beautiful peonies. They are not obtainable in this country yet, but may be imported direct from him on permit from the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. The following are very fine:

Blanche Elie, and Lady of the Snows, two quite similar almost exactly like Mons. Jules Elie except that they are white with yellow tints in the collar. Blanche Elie has sometimes red markings in the center while Lady of the Snows rarely has any.

La Canadienne is a tall upstanding white rather loosely built that is very attractive. Those who like the Kelway's Glorious type (and who does not?) have a variety here that will greatly appeal to them.

Aileen Brethour is a very floriferous light pink of excellent habit and almost as attractive as the young lady for whom it is named.

Shirene is a flower of unusual beauty of form and color, a soft light pink. It was most outstanding in a garden of about three hundred of the finest varieties that can be found.

There are many others of equal beauty that could be mentioned. If interested write either direct or to me.

This price list and its addition contains the finest list of peonies ever offered to the public. There are prices to fit every pocket book. Additional information gladly given.

### JAPANESE IRIS

The following named varieties are offered at 25c each or five for one dollar: 3 means single and 6 double:

Catherine Parry, blue overlaid rose red, 6.

Eleanor Parry, 6, claret red.

Jeanette Parry, 3, white suffused blue.

Kongo San, 6, dark blue.

Margaret S. Hendrickson, 6, bluish violet.

Marjorie Parry, 6, light mauve.

Nishiki Yama, 6, rosy red.

Shiranami, 6, white.

Wakamusha, 6, ivory white.

Minerve, 3, near pink; Ondine 3, white veiled blue.

Mixed without names 15c each. Seven for one dollar.

### GARDEN MAGAZINES

Garden Gossip (Southern), The Southern Garden; each one dollar per year.

Madison Cooper's Gardening, one year one dollar, 2 years \$1.75.

The Flower Grower, \$2 per year. Any other magazine can be supplied at advertised rates. Subscriptions solicited.

Peonies: The Manual of the American Peony Society \$2.25 until Jan. 1, 1939. This is the finest book ever published on the Peony. A year's membership in the American Peony Society (issuing four Bulletins per year) \$3.00.

Both Manual and Membership \$5.00.

The supply of Peony leaflets has been exhausted for this year.